

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

Medical Education – Permission to start Post Graduate Diploma Courses in the State of Andhra Pradesh under Dr.NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada- Accorded - Orders – Issued.

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HEALTH MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (C1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 142

Dated :27-11-2014

Read the following:

1. From the Secretary, Lenora Institute of Dental Sciences, Rajanagaram Rajahmundry, East Godavari District, dt. 23/06/2014
2. Govt. Lr No.7882/C1/2014, HM&FW(C1)Deptt , Dt.15-07-2014
3. From Registrar, Dr.NTRUHS, Vijayawada, letter No.43/A4/13, dated.17.09.2014

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ORDER:

In the letter 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the Secretary, Lenora Institute of Dental Sciences, Rajanagaram, Rajahmundry, East Godavari has submitted that Lenora Institute of Dental Sciences, Rajanagaram, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District under Christ of Church has been running UG and PG courses viz., BDS and MDS . There are only three Dental colleges in the entire state of Andhra Pradesh which are running MDS courses. Like in the case of Medical stream, there are Diploma courses in Dental category also, which are approved by Dental Council of India, but the same have not been started in the State.

2. The Secretary, Lenora Institute of Dental Sciences, Rajanagaram, Rajahmundry, East Godavari has further submitted that Lenora Institute of Dental Sciences intends to start the PG Diploma (Fellowship) courses in the department of Conservative Dentistry, Prosthodontics, Orthodontics, Periodontics and Pedodontics and request the Government to forward the application to Director of Medical Education for causing inspection of the Lenora Institute of Dental Sciences to assess the mandatory requirements as prescribed by the Dental Council of India and to recommend for Essentiality Certificate to enable them to apply to Dental Council of India to start the above listed new courses.

3. In the letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, the Registrar, Dr.NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada has been requested to examine the request of Secretary, Lenora Institute of Dental Sciences, Rajanagaram, Rajahmundry, East Godavari with reference to Dental Council of India Regulations 2006 and offer his remarks in the matter.

4. In the letter 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, the Registrar, Dr.NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada vide his letter dated.17.09.2014, has reported that as per the 'Dental Council of India, New Delhi, opening of Higher Courses of Study Regulations, 2006', for starting a new higher course or training in dental subjects including Post Graduate Diploma courses or training in a Dental College, a Dental College, subject to regulation 12, shall apply to the Central Government by submitting a scheme in this regard

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in Form-2, as prescribed for obtaining its permission in conformity with the relevant regulations of the Dental Council of India.

- a. The Dental qualification granted to the students of the dental college is recognized for running BDS course and conforms to the norms laid down by it.
- b. The certificate regarding desirability and feasibility for starting a new or higher course of study or training at the dental college has been obtained by the college from the State Government or the Union territory administration as the case may be.
- c. Letter of University's permission, valid for the entire duration of the course, for starting such course or training at the dental college has been obtained by it from the University to which it is affiliated.
- d. The dental college has the full complement of staff, equipments and other infrastructure facilities prescribed for under-graduate training programme and also fulfills additional requirements in respect of funds or allocation of finances, staff and other infrastructure facilities as per the norms prescribed by the Council and approved by the Central Government under Section 20 of the Act in the MDS Regulations 1983 and PG Diploma Regulations, 1983 as amended from time to time.
- e. Selection of candidates for post graduate degree and post graduate diploma course will be made strictly on the basis of academic merit.

5. The Registrar, Dr.NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada has also reported that as per Dental Council of India, New Delhi 'Post Graduate diploma Course Regulations, 2008', the duration of the Diploma courses in various specialties of Dentistry shall be of two (2) years duration which will be further divided into four (04) semesters as under:

First and second semesters: Preclinical work and Applied Basic Sciences.

Third and Fourth Semesters: Clinical Work.

That all the candidates for the post Graduate Diploma are required to pursue the prescribed course for atleast two academic years as full time candidates in a BDS recognized and MDS approved / recognized Institution under the direction of the Head of the Department, who has to be a recognized post graduate teacher in that specialty.

**STAFFING PATTERN:**

The diploma courses shall be conducted only in post graduate department in a BDS recognized and MDS approved / recognized institution by the Dental Council of India. For each seat of post graduate diploma course one additional reader is required.

A department, which does not have the above staff pattern, shall not start a post graduate diploma course in that specialty.

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### University Examination

There shall be one examination at the end of 02 years.

The University shall hold examination twice a year with minimum gap of four months between the two examination. The University examination shall have the following components.

- a. Written
- b. Clinical and / or Practical.
- c. Viva voce or oral examination.

#### Written examination:

The written examination shall consist of three papers, out of which two shall be pertaining to the specialty one in Applied Basic Sciences. Each paper shall be of three hours duration and shall include recent advances.

#### Clinical / Practical Examination:

It should aim at examining clinical skills and competence of candidates for undertaking independent work as a specialist. The actual format of clinical examination in various specialties could be worked out by various universities making sure that the candidates is given ample opportunity to perform various clinical procedures. The council desires that the actual format is made known to the students prior to the examination well in advance by the respective universities.

#### Viva voce Examination:

Viva voce examination shall aim at assessing depth of knowledge, logical reasoning confidence and verbal communication skills.

The Council desires that only two examiners conduct the viva at a time as two teams, each team for 20 minutes. When one examiner is conducting the viva, the other examiner could make a note of the questions asked and the performance level to enable proper assessment and award of marks.

#### Distribution of marks at the University examination:

Theory	:	
Paper I	:	100 marks
Paper II	:	100 marks
Paper III	:	100 marks
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Total		300 marks
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Clinical examinations	:	200 marks
Viva-Voce	:	100 marks

Infrastructure & Functional Requirements:

In addition to the existing facilities for the training of post graduate students all the post graduate departments running diploma courses shall provide for each diploma admission an additional dental chair and unit and other such instruments, equipments and clinical material as required for the clinical training.

6. In view of the above, the Registrar, NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada has requested that the Dental Colleges which fulfills the infrastructure and functional requirements and clinical materials as indicated in the above Dental Council of India Regulations may be permitted to start the Post Graduate Diploma Courses.

7. The Government after careful consideration of the proposal hereby accord permission to Dr.NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada to start post-graduate diploma courses in Dental sciences, as per the Dental Council of India (Establishment of New Dental Colleges, opening of a new or higher course of study or training and increase of admission capacity in Dental Colleges) Regulations, 2006, read with Dental Council of India Post Graduate Diploma Course Regulations (Dental Material) 2008 and Dental Council of India Post Graduate Diploma Course Regulations, 2008 and as amended subsequently, in the Dental Colleges which fulfill the infrastructure and functional requirements and clinical material. The Syllabus and other essential aspects shall be as prescribed by Dental Council of India.

8. The Director of Medical Education , AP, Hyderabad / Registrar, Dr.NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada shall take necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

L.V.SUBRAHMANYAM  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
The Director of Medical Education,(Academic) A.P. Hyderabad  
The Registrar, Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada.  
The Secretary, Dental Council of India, Aiwan-E-Galib Marg, Kotla Road, New Delhi  
Copy to:  
The Director of Medical Education,(Academic) A.P. Hyderabad  
OSD to Minister (H &ME)  
PS to Principal Secretary, HM&FW Dept  
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